



CENTRAL OHIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION



Box 1561, Dublin, OH 43017

May 2014

When: 7 p.m., May 21
Where: Oakstone Academy
900 Club Dr., Westerville
Speaker: Gary H.
Topic: Eisenhower dollar

May presentation

Gary H. will give the May presentation on Eisenhower dollars, with emphasis on reverse design varieties and clashed dies. This is a very short-lived series, 1971 - 1978, and does not seem to be widely collected which gives opportunity to the knowledgeable collector! This presentation will arm you with enough knowledge to be dangerous on the bourse floor!

Software discount

Vince Cavo, who gave the May presentation, says Track & Price Currency software is offering a 40% discount to CONA members. Mention Vince's presentation when ordering.

Vince wrote, "Track & Price Currency helps you quickly and simply manage your collection, while having instant access to accurate pricing, census and auction result data.

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To order or download a free trial, go to www.trackandprice.com

Hilltop auction

When: May 27 (5:30 p.m. lot viewing)
Where: Grove City Coin And Currency, 2655 Columbus St.

Website

Check the CONA website, conacoinclub.com, for updated information on club activities Ohio coin events

Exhibiting meeting

I'm having a meeting 2 - 4 p.m. June 8th at the Northwest library, 2280 Hard Rd., for anyone interested in learning how to put together a competitive numismatic exhibit. Our club show is coming up in a few months and there's never enough time for someone putting together a quality display. Anyone that has a collection and is proud of the effort that it took to assemble it and wants to show his peers his results should attend. The library is on the north side of Hard Rd. midway between Sawmill and Smokey Row Rd. - **Bill K.**

Columbus Coin Show

When: May 18, June 15, July 20
Where: Makoy Center, 5462 Center, Hilliard

Raffle

The May raffle coin will be a PCGS MS63 1885 Morgan Dollar. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Harold Spencer won the April drawing. - **Gary H.**

Club auction

Send June lots to Steve Barnett - sbarnet5@columbus.rr.com - by June 10.

Winners

Door prizes: Steve B., Gary H. and Karl N.

50/50 drawing: Dee K.'s name was drawn, but was not present. The \$46 pot rolls over.

Lancaster auction

When: 5 p.m., June 9
Where: Lancaster Masonic Lodge
Details: www.dafauction.com

Motts challenge coin

Larry F. has been checking the prices at private mints.

Club shirts

An order form for club polo shirts is attached.

Speakers

At our June meeting, John R. will give part II of this House of Seleukos presentation.

Tough coins

21 CONA members participate in club's second grading seminar

Dipping, corrosion and counterfeits were three of the topics covered during a Central Ohio Numismatic Association grading seminar in suburban Columbus, Ohio, May 3.

Coin World Editor Steve Roach, CONA President Steve Petty and Vice President Tony Cass selected 23 slabbed coins, ranging from a 1787 Massachusetts cent to a 2004 silver Eagle, for the seminar.

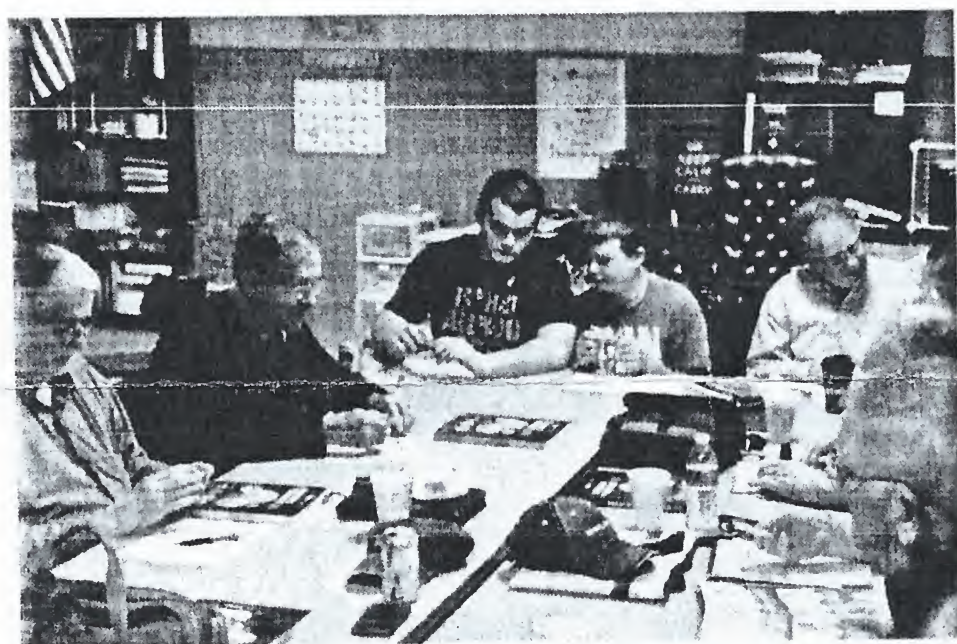
The grades on the slabs were covered, and the seminar's 21 participants were challenged to grade the coins. Collectors were given two minutes to assess each coin, much longer than the 20 seconds that professional graders typically spend on a coin, Roach said.

During the discussion that followed, Roach and Cass, both former ANACS graders, talked about the coins' assigned grades and peculiarities.

An MS63 red 1855 half cent in an old holder might not receive the same grade today, Roach said. He figured a spot of corrosion near the date wasn't there when the coin was graded years ago. A carbon spot likely developed into a patch of corrosion. In-holder corrosion is not uncommon in old holders, he said.



Steve Roach hands coins to Tony Cass at the start of the morning session.



YNs Jonathon, left, and Jonah Justice confer on a coin's grade.

Only in recent years, has it been determined that 1896 micro-o coins are likely contemporary counterfeits.

Nonetheless, Roach said, "They're wildly collectable. They are almost all circulated. If you find one in a junk box they're still worth \$100."

The seminar, CONA's second grading seminar, was partially underwritten by a \$200 Central States Numismatic Society speakers grant. Central States reimburses member clubs up to \$200 a year for speaker expenses.

A 1938-D Walking Liberty half dollar that was graded EF40 had been lightly dipped years ago, Cass said, but the cleaning was not noted on the holder. Roach said, "There is no clear-cut rule about what an appropriate dip is." Lightly dipped coins frequently pass grading-service muster, but coins that have been repeatedly cleaned do not.

The lot had one counterfeit coin, though it was in a valid, if somewhat old, slab. When the VG6 1896-O micro O Morgan dollar was submitted to the grading service years ago, the coin was consid-



CONA President Steve Petty mans the registration table.